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DEVELOPMENT OF FISHERY IN LAKSHADWEEP
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has prepared any long term perspective plan for the development of fishery sectors in Lakshadweep;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the details of the projected employment potential in the proposed long term plan for the next five years;

(c) the total fish landing centres functioning in the islands during the last three years and the current financial year;

(d) the plans to improve the fish landing centres in the islands;

(e) whether there is any marine development centre in the islands which is having a vast territorial water area; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN)

(a): Yes, Sir. The UT of Lakshadweep Administration has got prepared an Integrated Perspective Plan for Development of Fisheries in Lakshadweep for next 10 years to be implemented in 3 phases.

(b): The perspective plan envisages overall development in the Fisheries sector by way of enhancing fish production, self employment generation and socio-economic upliftment by introducing more fishing craft, deep sea fishing vessels, Maldivian type of pole and line fishing vessels, supply of engines, out board motors, navigational aids, Establishment of ice plants/cold storages, processing plants for developing cold chain, human resource development, setting up of fishermen cooperative societies, introduction of mother vessel/collector vessel, mariculture etc. The 11th plan projects a generation of 1643 employment opportunities during the next 5 years.

(c): There are eleven fish landing centers currently functioning in the Union Territory of Lakshadweep.

(d): Improvement to fish landing centers by way of constructing one fish market in each island is envisaged by the UT.

(e): No sir.

(f): Does not arise.